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DETAILED ACTION

1. This action is in response to the amendment filed December 2, 2002.

Response to Amendment

- 2. The reply filed on 12/2/02 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): a) applicant amended the specification to correct the improper arrangement and the incorrect headings, however it appears that the claims were deleted (See Substitute Specification-Markup Copy Pages 3-7). See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE** (1) **MONTH or THIRTY** (30) **DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).
- 3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Monica Lewis whose telephone number is 703-305-3743. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Amir Zarabian can be reached on 703-308-4905. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-308-7722 for regular and after final communications. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-0956.

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